



Rescue bootcamp prepares RedRover Responders

Daisy the blind dog is living pain-free • RedRover Readers goes to horse camp • 37 states can now help protect pets from abuse • Winning a Top-Rated Nonprofit award for five years in a row



Greetings & Happy Fall!

FALL IS SUCH A WONDERFUL TIME

of year to give thanks for everything for which you are grateful. And one thing I am exceedingly grateful for is YOU! The end of the year is fast approaching, and RedRover and other nonprofit organizations that largely depend on year-end giving during the holiday season will soon be asking you for special year-end

gifts. Because I know how many other nonprofits there are to choose from, I can't tell you enough how much I appreciate your support of RedRover.

The end of the year is also a great time for tax and estate planning. Over the years our successful planned giving program has given us a healthy reserve that generates interest income for ongoing programs and helps ensure we always have the financial resources to save animals in crisis. If you are thinking of estate planning this year, please visit our website to learn about how you can become a Legacy Partner: RedRover.org/legacy

Lastly, are you looking for gift ideas this holiday season? Please consider



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giving a gift membership to RedRover through our website, RedRover.org. While there, be sure to sign up for our emails to learn about more ways to help the animals.

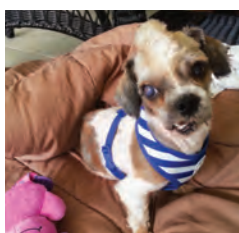
I wish you and your loved ones a very happy holiday season!

NICOLE FORSYTH
President and CEO

Remarkable story of dog on the brink of death

WE HAVE A VERY SPECIAL TREAT for RedRover supporters like you who help bring animals from crisis to care all year long. This holiday season, we'll be sharing the story of Guy, a Shih Tzu who received lifesaving care thanks to your support. Guy was found on the side of the road, clinging to his life when a devoted animal lover named Sandi pulled over and committed herself to saving him. Through months of treatment and your crucial support, Guy has blossomed into a happy, devoted pooch.

Next month, you'll get to see Guy in action: We filmed a video of Sandi telling their story of how you saved Guy's life. You will get to see Guy's



incredible transformation and witness just how life-changing your support

of RedRover is for animals every single day. This happy little dog will show you how a little help from our community can make all the difference in the life of an animal like Guy. ♥

Be sure to sign up for RedRover emails to see the exclusive video of Guy and Sandi, coming in December!
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A big change in the Big Easy

HURRICANE KATRINA was a turning point in the movement to protect and rescue animals in disaster. After the gut-wrenching images of dogs swimming through the streets of New Orleans and tragic stories of people who did not evacuate because they did not want to leave their pets behind, the emergency management community and the public finally began to understand the need to include animals in disaster planning.

It was fitting that on the hurricane's 10-year anniversary, RedRover Emergency Services Manager Beth Gammie was at the Hurricane Katrina Commemorative Bootcamp in Gonzales, Louisiana, this past August.

During this week-long training camp, Beth joined more than 60 other animal



Photo courtesy of ASPCA

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disaster responders from all over the country to brush up on response skills and learn new ones. Beth attended sessions on slack water animal rescue, pet first aid, animal decontamination, wildland fires, large animal awareness and disaster assessment.

Practical application is crucial to keeping skills sharp and learning new techniques to help animals. Beth said, "I had a chance to learn and practice two-person CPR on dog and cat 'dummies' — there is nothing like hands-on training like this to learn how to help animals correctly and effectively."

In addition to the courses she took, Beth shared her experience and co-presented a course on emergency animal sheltering with colleagues from American Humane Association and the ASPCA.

The various organizations in attendance reflects the collaborative nature of animal response; large-scale animal disaster response always involves many different groups and agencies working together. Beth observed, "The training camp was filled with first responders from many organizations in all different color shirts, sporting different logos. But the animals don't care what color shirts we are wearing. When we are out there helping animals, we all know we are on the same team."

And we're so thankful to be on the same team with caring members like you. Together, we can be sure RedRover is always ready to provide the best care for animals in crisis. ♥



Photo courtesy of IFAW

Blind love helps Daisy the dog

DANIELLA WANTED to adopt a friend for her dog, Sassy, and began visiting local rescues. When she came across Daisy, a six-year-old poodle, the rescue told her they were having a hard time finding her a home because she was blind. Daniella knew Daisy belonged in her family and decided to adopt her.

Less than a week after adopting Daisy, Daniella realized something was very wrong. Daisy only wanted to sleep, and was constantly rubbing her eyes. Daniella took Daisy to the vet where it was discovered that Daisy had severe glaucoma which caused intense pressure in her eyes. Both of Daisy's eyes needed to be removed so she could live a

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pain-free life. Daniella never expected Daisy to need surgery less than a week after adopting her, and knew she could not afford the entire cost of treatment.

Determined to get Daisy the help she needed, Daniella applied for a RedRover Relief grant. With this grant and donations from generous people like you, Daisy was able to get the surgery she needed!

Daniella recently gave us an update and a glimpse into Daisy's pain-free life: "She's ready to play right when she wakes up, fighting toys and playing tug of war. She loves taking baths and getting groomed to earn a treat, taking trips in the car and sniffing new places. But her favorite thing of all is sitting next to me on the couch, listening to my voice tell her she's a great dog and that she's loved more and more every day. Daisy and I thank you from the bottom of our hearts for saving a human's best friend!" ♥

Daisy cuddling below with her friend.



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— Daniella Torres



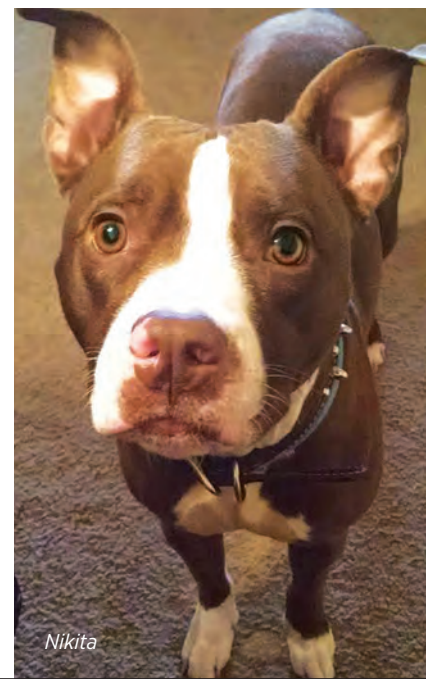
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Leyna

"Without your help, I would have been lost."

— Laurie Durango



Nikita



Loki

"You helped save my dog's life in an emergency situation and I could never express my appreciation enough!"

— Elizabeth Reed



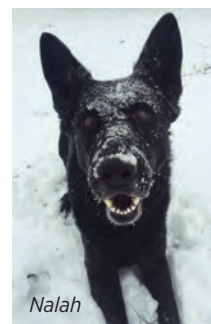
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"Thanks to your pledge, Loki got the care that saved his life."

— Jessica White



Lafayette



Nalah



Kaia

"Your organization also showed me how many good people there are in the world. I can't thank you enough."

— Lisa Sykes



Tater



Jack

"You have really inspired me to do my part to help other animal parents out when I can."

— Shar Gray



Spock

"Thank you, thank you for the bottom of our hearts for the wonderful work you do to help families keep their most precious members well!"

— Tammy Watson



Aletris

Hoofin' it: RedRover Readers goes to horse camp

KATHY KRAHN is an elementary school teacher who is helping to positively shape the way children view animals, even in her “off-time.” When she is not teaching during the summer months, Kathy runs a horse camp from her home in northern California. She teaches children how to care for and respect horses and the other animals on her property. Naturally, we were ready to “giddy-up” when Kathy invited RedRover Readers to her second grade classroom last year.

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Our classroom visits inspired one of Kathy’s students, Lila, to treat her dog better. When Lila was asked, “How do you feel about your dog Darcy, now that RedRover Readers has come to our classroom?” Lila responded, “I play with her more and I feed her and get her fresh water. I feel like she is more special to me



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Kathy was excited by the positive impact the RedRover Readers program had on her students, so she invited RedRover Readers to her horse camp, too! At the horse camp, children listened to a reading of *Call the Horse Lucky* by Juanita Havill, performed role-play activities and pretended to be the characters in the book. In the story, a young girl finds a neglected horse alone in a field. “I liked the transformation that the horse Lucky went through from seeing his ribs to becoming

a fabulous horse at the horse farm,” one camper said. Another camper shared, “My favorite part of the story was when Lucky got rescued.”

Kathy later told RedRover, “Thank you for coming to share your knowledge and stories with my kids. I know you’ve made a difference in their lives and mine.” ♥

Please tell a teacher about RedRover Readers and ask them to sign up for more information at RedRover.org/ReadersInfo



Only 13 to go

BECAUSE OF YOUR SUPPORT, 37 states now have at least one SAF-T shelter to house domestic violence victims' pets on site. This means pet owners in 37 states won't have to fear leaving their pets behind to escape violence at the hands of an abuser.

Currently, 13 states do not have a SAF-T shelter within their borders. But through RedRover's Safe Housing

program, which that provides grants to domestic violence shelters to build on-site housing for pets, we can bring a safe place for pets and people in every state in our nation. ♥

Learn how you can help bring on-site pet housing to domestic violence shelters in your community: RedRover.org/DVstates

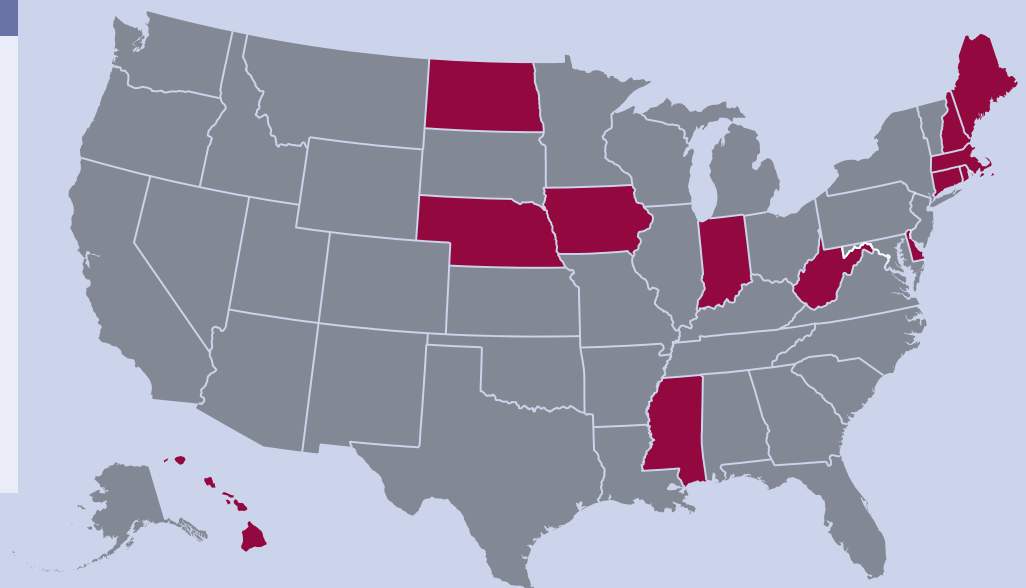


Domestic Shelters

These states have pet-friendly domestic shelters

These states **DO NOT** have pet friendly domestic shelters

Connecticut	Massachusetts
Delaware	Mississippi
Hawaii	Nebraska
Indiana	New Hampshire
Iowa	North Dakota
Maine	Rhode Island
	West Virginia



THE LEESHORE CENTER, in Kenai, Alaska, proudly opened their doors to pets this year after receiving a Safe Housing grant from RedRover.

“It will make a world of difference in how we’re able to provide safe housing to beloved pets coming to the shelter with victims and their children.”

— Cheri Smith, Executive Director



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Award-winning — for the fifth year in a row

REDROVER IS DEDICATED to making a significant impact on animals and the people who love them, and one way we monitor our success is through our reviews on GreatNonprofits.org. We are very proud of the fact that this year, we were given the prestigious "Top-Rated Nonprofit" award again — for the fifth year in a row!

Thank you so much for your help saving my pug Sabrina. According to the vet she was possibly hours close to death...

— RedRover Relief recipient

Perla Ni, CEO of GreatNonprofits told us, "Savvy donors want to see the impact of their donations more than

ever. People with direct experience with RedRover have voted that the organization is making a real difference."

Here is a review from someone you helped through your support of RedRover: "Thank you so much for your help saving my pug Sabrina. According to the vet she was possibly hours close



to death...and definitely would not have survived another night. The kindness of your organization helped save her life. She had surgery that removed the infection before it spread to the rest of her body. I have progressive MS and don't know what I would've done without her; in a way you helped save my life, too. Your organization also showed me how many good people there are in the world. I can't thank you enough." ♥

To read more 5-star reviews like the one above, visit RedRover.org/GreatNonprofits.